

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

KUO-HSING CHENG, ET A

Application No.: 09/765,921

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METHOD FOR MIN-CUT AND For:

RATIO MIN-CUT PARTITIONING

Docket No.: 4728P042

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Examiner: Thompson, Annette M

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F. R. § 1.136(a), Applicants for the above-identified application respectfully Petition the Commissioner for a two (2) month extension of time, extending the period for response to September 23, 2003, from the Office Action dated April 23, 2003. The petition filing fee of \$205.00 and an Amendment and Response to Office Action are attached.

If it should be determined that a longer extension of time is required to prevent this application from being abandoned, please charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

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Respectfully submitted,

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